

CHAPTER NO. 546

SENATE BILL NO. 2853

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Substituted for: House Bill No. 3073

By Fowlkes

AN ACT to promote enforcement of state law and more efficient cooperation between state officials charged with the enforcement of state law by amending Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 6, to add a new section allowing the attorney general, upon consent of the district attorney, to designate any full-time salaried attorney general investigator who qualifies under the Tennessee peace officer standards and training commission standards to exercise the same authority as a district attorney criminal investigator in discharging the attorney general's duties under law.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 6, is amended by adding a new section consisting of the following language and subsections:

(a) Upon consent of the district attorney general, the attorney general and reporter may designate any full-time salaried attorney general investigator who meets the qualifications of § 38-8-106 and the training requirements of § 38-8-107(a), to act with the same authority as a district attorney criminal investigator when on active duty in connection with criminal matters for which the attorney general and reporter has jurisdiction as provided by law.

(b) Any investigator so designated shall, while on such active duty in the affected jurisdiction, have the same authority as is provided by law for any full-time criminal investigator employed by the district attorney general.

(c) The authority conferred by this section shall be in addition to any authority otherwise conferred by law upon the attorney general and reporter.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 12, 2004



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APPROVED this 22nd day of April 2004



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